

Steps for Writing an Ode

Select a subject to write about: person, place, or thing.

Write phrases describing how your subject makes you feel and why you feel this way.

Write many phrases telling unique qualities of your subject.

Explain why your subject is important to you and why you adore it so much!

Join some of your phrases into lines for your ode. Remember they don't have to rhyme!

Revise your lines following these steps:

- take away any lines that are too similar
- add more feeling to any meaningless lines
- pick a good opening line or sentence
- order the remaining lines into their best sequence
- select a good closing line that clearly expresses your feelings about the ..subject

Rewrite your ode in a final draft and maybe even add an illustration.